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REPORT

- SUBJECT 1. Tanks and Trucks in the Wuensdorf Tank Repair Shop (*factory markings*)
2. A Restricted Area South of Fuerstenwalde
3. Rail Shipments in the Gross Kreutz Mark Area

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reports which contain information on the following:

1. T-34 tanks in the Wuensdorf tank repair shop [redacted] ZIS trucks and amphibious tanks and "automobiles." The amphibious tank is probably the PT-76 and the "automobile" is probably the GA-3 amphibious truck (GA-344).⁷
2. A search in the Fuerstenwalde and Berlin areas for five Soviets who deserted [redacted] A new restricted area in the "Rauenschen Bergen," between Rauen and Petersdorf, south of Fuerstenwalde.
3. Rail shipments in the Gross Kreutz Mark area with guns, tanks, amphibious vehicles and military personnel.

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WUNSDORF Tank Repair Shop

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T-34 tanks in

repair shop:

ZIS truck

At the present time there are "several" amphibious tanks and amphibious "automobiles" in the shop for repairs. Height of the tank is approximately 2.75 m., length approximately 6.00 m. Attached to the track fenders are "air cannisters" which may also be found inside the compartment. A firewall separates the crew, in front, from the motor to the rear. A propeller is attached at the rear. The entire tank is made of ~~it~~ "light weight" material.

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a large search action is presently taking place in Fuerstenwalde and vicinity as well as in the area east of Berlin. Five Soviets who deserted [redacted] are being searched for. Who these persons are is not known. [redacted] three of the Soviets are from Frankfurt/Oder and two are from Fuerstenwalde. It is not known whether the search action has met with success.

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[redacted] a new restricted area has been fixed in the "Rauenschen Bergen" (between Rauen and Petersdorf, south of Fuerstenwalde). The entire area is situated in a forest. For a while a part of the forest was being cut down. [redacted]

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[redacted] the entire area has been enclosed with a barbed wire fence. Daily large amounts of cement are brought into the area. It is not known what is being built there. This restricted area is being guarded by soldiers of the National Peoples Army. It is not known whether the Soviets have any connection with this restricted area. [redacted]

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In Dreieck between Langenwahl-New Golm - Alt-Golm work on a construction project, about which no more is known, is to start. It is not known whether this work is for the Soviets or the National Peoples Army.

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[redacted] nothing more has changed in Fuerstenwalde. The Soviet barracks are still fully occupied as before. [redacted]

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[redacted] observed the following Soviet weapons and armaments at the Gross-Krenz railroad station: [redacted] freight train [redacted] to Magdeburg included two flatcars with a total of four medium weight cannons [redacted]

[redacted] freight train [redacted] to Berlin included a passenger car filled with soldiers and a flatcar with a tank (type is not known, but it was a new low type with a small round turret with a gun about 8 cm. in caliber). 50X1-HUM

[redacted] ~~the~~ freight train [redacted] to Magdeburg included a passenger car with soldiers, two flatcars with two JS-1 tanks, and a flatcar with a tank of an unknown type (as described above). 50X1-HUM

[redacted] ~~the~~ freight train [redacted] to Magdeburg included a passenger car with soldiers and [a flatcar with] three JS-1 tanks. 50X1-HUM

[redacted] ~~the~~ freight train [redacted] to Magdeburg included four flatcars with four amphibious vehicles (type - full tracked amphibious cargo vehicle), seven flatcars each with a type of vehicle, "wheeled amphibian", a flatcar with two amphibious jeeps, and a passenger car with soldiers. 50X1-HUM

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